



## Town of Southern Shores

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### Child Abuse Prevention Month, April 2014 Proclamation

Whereas, children are vital to our state's future success, prosperity and quality of life as well as being our most vulnerable assets;

Whereas, all children deserve to have safe, stable, nurturing, and healthy homes and communities that foster their well-being;

Whereas, child abuse and neglect is a community responsibility affecting both the current and future quality of life of a community;

Whereas, parents need support and resources to cope with stress and nurture their children to grow to their full potential;

Whereas, effective child abuse prevention strategies succeed because of partnerships created among citizens, human service agencies, schools, faith communities, health care providers, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community;

Therefore, we, the Town of Southern Shores, do hereby proclaim

April as Child Abuse Prevention Month and call upon all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, elected leaders and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the communities in which we live.



Tom Bennett, Mayor  
Town of Southern Shores

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